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Introduced by M. of A. PAULIN, BUTTENSCHON, McDONOUGH -- read once and referred to the Committee on Education

AN ACT to amend the education law, in relation to providing site mapping for emergency response data relating to school safety plans

The People of the State of New York, represented in Senate and Assembly, do enact as follows:

Section 1. The opening paragraph and paragraph c of subdivision 3 of section 2801-a of the education law, as amended by section 1 of part B of chapter 54 of the laws of 2016, are amended to read as follows:

A building level emergency response plan, developed by the building-level emergency response team defined in subdivision four of this section, shall be kept confidential, including but not limited to the [~~floor plans, blueprints, schematics or other maps of the school interior, school grounds and road maps of the immediate surrounding area,~~] site mapping for emergency response described in paragraph c of this subdivision and shall not be disclosed except to authorized department or school staff, and law enforcement officers, and shall include the following elements:

c. site mapping for emergency response, including floor plans, blueprints, schematics or other maps of the school interior, school grounds and road maps of the immediate surrounding area. Such site maps shall be provided in a format compatible with software platforms used by local, state, county, and federal law enforcement agencies that provide emergency services to the specific school for which the data is provided without requiring law enforcement agencies to purchase additional software or requiring the integration of third-party software to view the data, and compatible with security software platforms in use by the specific school for which the data is provided without requiring such school and law enforcement agencies to purchase additional software or requiring the integration of third-party software to view the data. Such

EXPLANATION--Matter in *italics* (underscored) is new; matter in brackets [-] is old law to be omitted.

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site maps shall be provided in a printable format, oriented true north, be overlaid with gridded x/y coordinates, and be verified for accuracy through an initial and annual walkthrough of all school buildings and grounds. Districts shall make every effort to provide:

i. up-to-date floor plans overlaid on current aerial imagery of a school building and groups;

ii. site specific labeling that matches the structure of the school building, including building access points, room labels, hallway names, external door or stairwell numbers, locations of hazardous materials and utility shut offs, key boxes, automated external defibrillators, and trauma kits; and

iii. site specific labeling that matches the school grounds, including parking areas, athletic fields, surrounding roads, and neighboring properties.

§ 2. Section 2801-a of the education law is amended by adding a new subdivision 11 to read as follows:

11. For purposes of this section, "site mapping for emergency response" means information provided in an electronic or digital format to assist law enforcement or emergency first responders in an emergency.

§ 3. Subdivision 6-c of section 3602 of the education law, as amended by chapter 1 of the laws of 2013, and paragraph b as amended by section 9 of part A of chapter 56 of the laws of 2023, is amended to read as follows:

6-c. a. Building aid for metal detectors, [~~and~~] safety devices for electrically operated partitions, room dividers and doors, and site mapping for emergency response. In addition to the apportionments payable to a school district pursuant to subdivision six of this section, the commissioner is hereby authorized to apportion to any school district additional building aid pursuant to this subdivision for its approved expenditures in the base year for the purchase of stationary metal detectors, security cameras, safety devices for electrically operated partitions and room dividers required pursuant to section four hundred nine-f of this chapter, or other security devices approved by the commissioner that increase the safety of students and school personnel, and for furnishing site mapping for emergency response as required by subdivision three of section two thousand eight hundred one-a of this chapter, provided, however, that funds apportioned to school districts pursuant to this section shall not supplant funds for existing district expenditures or for existing contractual obligations of the district for stationary metal detectors, security cameras, partition and room divider safety devices, [~~or~~] security devices, or site mapping for emergency response. Portable or [~~hand-held~~] handheld metal detectors shall not be eligible for aid pursuant to this subdivision. Such additional aid shall equal the product of the building aid ratio computed for use in the current year pursuant to paragraph c of subdivision six of this section and the actual approved expenditures incurred in the base year pursuant to this subdivision, provided that the limitations on cost allowances prescribed by paragraph a of subdivision six of this section shall not apply. The commissioner shall annually prescribe a special cost allowance for metal detectors, and security cameras, and the approved expenditures shall not exceed such cost allowance. The commissioner shall annually prescribe a special cost allowance for partition and room divider safety devices, and the approved expenditures shall not exceed such cost allowance. The commissioner shall annually prescribe a special cost allowance for site mapping for emergency response, and the approved expenditures shall not exceed such cost allowance.

b. For projects approved by the commissioner authorized to receive additional building aid pursuant to this subdivision for the purchase of stationary metal detectors, security cameras or other security devices approved by the commissioner that increase the safety of students and school personnel, provided that for purposes of this paragraph such other security devices shall be limited to electronic security systems and hardened doors, and provided that for projects approved by the commissioner on or after the first day of July two thousand thirteen such additional aid shall equal the product of (i) the building aid ratio computed for use in the current year pursuant to paragraph c of subdivision six of this section plus ten percentage points, except that in no case shall this amount exceed one hundred percent, and (ii) the actual approved expenditures incurred in the base year pursuant to this subdivision, provided that the limitations on cost allowances prescribed by paragraph a of subdivision six of this section shall not apply, and provided further that any projects aided under this paragraph must be included in a district's school safety plan. The commissioner shall annually prescribe a special cost allowance for metal detectors, and security cameras, and the approved expenditures shall not exceed such cost allowance.

§ 4. This act shall take effect six months after it shall have become a law.